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- 11. Post delivered reftel demarche supporting the U.S. candidacy for the International Maritime Organization to Isilio Coelho, MFA Director of External Affairs, on September 30. Post also conveyed the demarche material via diplomatic note.
- 12. Coelho expressed his appreciation for the information on the U.S. candidacy. He was unable to commit Timor-Leste to supporting the United States in the upcoming election but he acknowledged the strength of U.S. credentials as well as its positive contribution to the IMO.

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